

ANOTHER SOCIAL ERROR, SCOOP



SET DATE OF WORLD GAMES

National Commission Sets October 7th as the Date for Opening of Series Between the Giants and Athletics—Arrange Schedule of Games.

(BY MONTY)

New York, August 2.—The world's series between the Giants and Athletics will begin at the Polo Grounds here on Tuesday, October 7. This is the conclusion arrived at following numerous informal talks between the members of the National Commission. When the big guns get together and officially arrange the schedule for the post-season event, they will merely set the dates and announce that a coin will be flipped to decide where the opener will be staged—whether here or in Shibe Park, Philadelphia. But it is already known how that coin is going to land. There is a sort of divinity that shapes such things—the divinity being that nobody is present but baseball magnates when the flipping is done and

the additional fact that they know an opening in New York will draw more money than one in Quakertown. The "flipping of the coin" is a great little piece of stirring news even though no coin is flipped.

The scheme for the games as mapped out differs from the world's series of the last two years in one respect. The games will alternate today in New York, tomorrow in Philadelphia—as they have in the past. The change in the system concerns interference with the original arrangement because of rains. Last year when it rained the teams would stay in the city where they happened to be until it cleared up and they could play on the grounds there. This time they will adhere to prearranged schedule strictly regardless of weather. If the teams are in Philadelphia, for instance, to play game number two and rain should prevent it, they will move into New York the next day for game number three and number two will be postponed to the end of the series.

The season in both National and American Leagues winds up this year on Saturday, October 4, so far as the eastern teams are concerned. The western teams play their finales on the next day, Sunday, October 5. After the Giants conclude their series here with the Phillies on that last Saturday and the Athletics wind up in their home town against the Yankees on the same date, there will be two days or rest before jumping into the big fray. Sunday and Monday intervene.

Then, on Tuesday the grand climax gets under way. The complete

schedule for the series as outlined follows: Tuesday, Oct. 7, at New York; Wednesday, Oct. 8, at Philadelphia; Thursday, Oct. 9, at New York; Friday, Oct. 10, at Philadelphia; Saturday, Oct. 11, at New York; Monday, Oct. 13, at Philadelphia; Tuesday, Oct. 14, at New York.

This plan will be in force until one team wins four games, the same as in the last few years. In order to appreciate the importance, financially, of having the first game in Gotham, one needs only to glance at the complete schedule. If rain should not interfere and if the series should go the entire seven games, the big Polo Grounds would stage not only the opening game, but the Saturday game and also the final battle, besides a fourth one on Thursday. Philadelphia would get only the Wednesday, Friday and Monday. The Polo Grounds can hold almost double what Shibe Park accommodates. And that is the way it will be fixed. Were the scheme reversed, it would mean a difference of maybe over \$50,000 in the total gate receipts, and \$50,000 as we all know is \$50,000.

With the two big league races sewed up as they are, it is interesting now to look down along the line at the teams just below the top and prognosticate on their chances. Many temporary surprises have cropped up in both races since the beginning of the season, but of late affairs have straightened themselves out into their expected condition, outside of a few teams well toward the bottom of the lists.

Your Uncle Monty, for one, picked the Athletics and Giants to win the

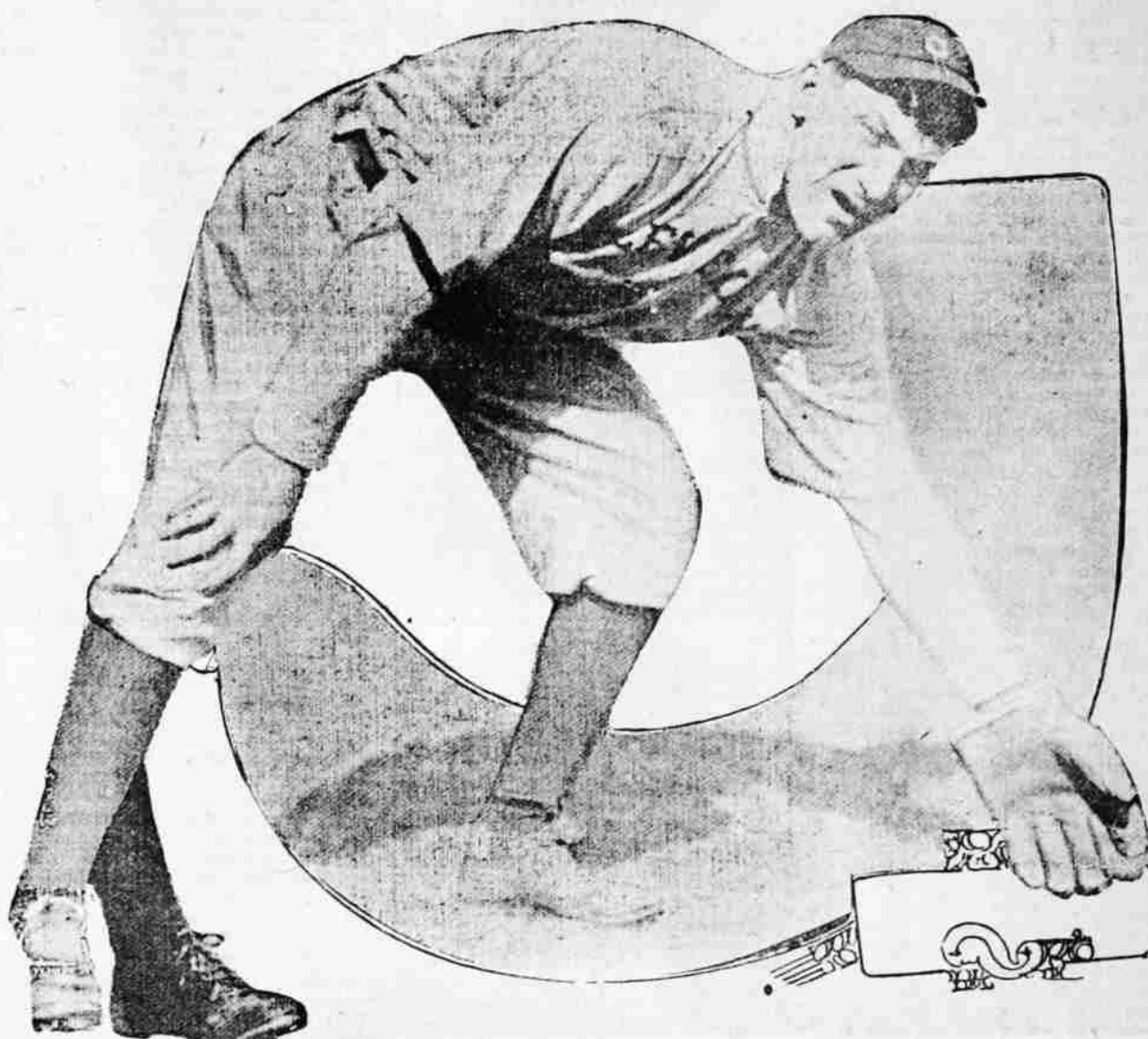
two pennants. So far so good. Then he chose the Senators to be second in the American league race and the Pirates as second in the National. Both these picks seem to have good chances to come true. In rating the world's champion Red Sox as low as third place, he was almost alone. Yet they seem absolutely certain now to do even worse than third, with second division the most likely place for them. Cleveland and Chicago stood well in his favor, in fact better than Boston, but he did not possess the temerity to forecast worse than third for a world's champion.

In the National he had the Phillies picked for second in 1912, but lost some of his faith in them this year and had them rated for fourth. It still is possible that they will get that low, though not likely unless the Cubs and Pirates both do some speeding. But if the Pirates and Cubs land second and third respectively and the Phillies fourth, the entire first division will look as framed in three despatches back in early April. The humorous part of this lies in that it is a good thing to do your prating while the prating is good, for nobody will care about anything but doze on the world's series a few weeks from now. Grabbing time by the goatee, so to speak!

AUCTION SALE OF KENTUCKY COLTS

New York, Aug. 2.—Next Monday, the 4th marks the beginning of the sales of thoroughbred horses at Saratoga. In former years the Kentucky yearlings have been sold at

LAJOIE DOING BUSINESS AT THE OLD STAND.



LARRY LAJOIE SCOOPING A PICKUP.

A few weeks ago Manager Joe Birmingham saddened the heart of many a baseball fan by announcing that he had decided to use Larry Lajoie, who for seventeen years had been called the game's most graceful second baseman and hardest swiftness, as a bench warmer. It was sacrilegious (if truly abhorrent) to Larry who cracked a couple of his fingers and Birmingham

had evidently concluded that the big Frenchman's digits were not strong enough to allow him to continue at the pace set by the young bloods in the Naps' lineup.

Lajoie kicked—kicked with both feet. He knew he was not through, and he wanted a chance to prove it. As soon as the old hands were strong enough the hard hitting Canuck de-

manded that he be put back in his old position for a trial. Birmingham assented and Larry is still on the job. Nap is fielding in fine style and is smashing the ball in the same old way, for an average of a little above .330. A very poor showing for a veteran whom Father Time has started skidding down the toboggan. Rawther.

Sheephead Bay, but this year the auctions for some of the famous stables has been transferred to the up state track.

Among the horses to be sold Monday are Adelbert, Dixiana, Maplehurst and other yearlings, the property of Williams and Radford, Mrs. R. J. Carson, K. P. Shipp, George J. Stoll and John H. Morris.

On August 29, the Blue Ridge yearlings will be sold. These are the property of Henry T. Oxnard. And on Saturday August 30, sales will be made of race horses in training.

On September 8 at Sheephead bay, there will be a dispersal sale of the entire breeding stud belonging to the estate of the late Charles Kohler, which will include the stallions Uncle Fitzherbert, Novelty, Zeu, Charles Edward, Supermar, fifth-one brood mares, foals and yearlings. The following day the Ormondale yearlings the property of W. O. B. McDonough of California, will be sold.

CHALLENGE TO ANY TEAM

"To managers of amateur leagues: The East Side baseball team desires a challenge from any amateur team in the state. The team has played ten games and lost one.

A challenge is hereby issued to the following teams:

Becker Brewing company employees, Railway Mail Clerks, O. S. L. Soda Squirrels, Moving Picture Show employees. Call at Stone Cigar store, 2219 Washington avenue. (Signed) Glen Stone, Manager.

The lineup—Stone, catcher; Belnap, pitcher; Fuller, 1st base; Stone, shortstop; Belnap, 2nd base; Lawton, 3rd base; Falch, centerfield; Fenstermaker, right field; Reeves, left field.

BASEBALL

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Quakers Defeat Reds. Cincinnati, Aug. 1.—Cincinnati played weirdly in the field in the early innings of today's game and Philadelphia won easily 5 to 1. Alexander was master of the situation at all times, while the poor work of the locals placed Johnson in the hole frequently. Egan was the first offender for the day, making errors on every chance that he had. Killing played poor ball from a fielding standpoint.

Packard relieved Johnson in the seventh to allow Bates to bat for him after Cincinnati had a man on base. Paskert, Lobert, Luderus and Devore led in the batting.

Pirates Defeat Dodgers. Pittsburgh, Aug. 1.—Jack Miller's double, Wilson's sacrifice and Si-

mon's single gave Pittsburgh the winning run over the Dodgers in the tenth inning today. Miller's single and Wilson's home run gave the Pirates their other two runs in the fourth. Both Allen and Adams pitched beautifully, though Adams was hit rather hard in the early innings. From the third inning to the finish the world's series hero of 1909 was invincible. Wheat's double and Daubert's single gave Brooklyn a run in the second and Allen's three bagger and Cutshaw's sacrifice fly gave them another in the third.

R. H. E.
Brooklyn ... 6 ... 2 7 2
Pittsburgh ... 3 ... 3 6 1
Batteries—Allen and O. Miller; Adams and Gibson, Simon. (10 innings)

Baves Defeat Cardinals.

St. Louis, Aug. 1.—Otto Hess pitched one of his best games here this afternoon, holding the home team to two hits, singles by Oakes and Cather in the fourth and as a result Boston took the third game of the series from St. Louis, by 8 to 0.

Willie Doak, who pitched a good game against New York this week, worked for the home team today and was hit hard while his support was weird, his teammates making three errors of commission and numerous of the omission sort. Hess hit a home run over the right field seats with a man on base.

Detroit 9, Washington 3.

Washington, Aug. 1.—Detroit batted Groom hard in one inning today and with Lake pitching air-tight ball, the result was never in doubt, Detroit winning easily 9 to 3. Washington used three pitchers in an effort to stop the visitors but only one of them, Harper, a recruit, met with any success. He allowed only one hit in the four innings that he was on the mound, struck out four and gave one base on balls.

Groom started for Washington, but was forced to retire with one man out in the third inning after Detroit had scored four runs. Gallis then took up the pitching with two men on, and Moriarty scored both with a single. He lasted until the opening of the sixth when Harper went in.

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KILBANE MAY CROSS THE POND

Cleveland, Aug. 2.—Johnny Kilbane, the featherweight champion of the world, has had a hankering for a long time to cross the "herring pond" and take a shot at "The Old Sod," the health of his ancestors. It now appears that he is going to extend this

trip to a "round the world" tour. His manager, Jimmy Dunn, has announced that this trip will start next June with Jimmy in charge.

These now plans were brought about by the receipt of an invitation for the champion to tote his title over to Australia and give some of the kangaroo a crack at it.

It is probable that Cal Delaney will make the trip with the champion.

Dunn says that Kilbane will fight a few battles this winter but that his hard campaign will not begin until he gets on the other side of the water next summer. Then he will go after the best boys in England and Ireland and if he is still in shape he will follow up with a campaign in France and in any other of the European countries that offer the right inducements.

THORNTON NO NOVICE CHAMP



DR. NAT THORNTON.

Atlanta, Ga., August 2.—The role of Southern Singles Tennis Champion is not at all new to Dr. Nat Thornton, who is this year defending the title as a result of his victory over Carlton Smith, the former champion, in two straight sets last June at New Orleans.

Thornton had the same honor in 1907 and successfully defended the championship in 1908.

GRIFFITH BUILDING GREAT TWIRLING STAFF.



WASHINGTON'S GREAT HURLERS, LEFT TO RIGHT, JOE BOEHLING AND WALTER JOHNSON.

Washington, Aug. 2.—Happy in the belief that he has at last whipped into shape a team that will win a pennant, either this season or next, Manager Clark Griffith has come out with the statement that he has the greatest right handed twirler in the game and a youngster who will soon be recognized as one of the most effective southpaws ballroom has ever known. The young men who have elicited such high praise from the Old Fox are Walter Johnson and Joe Boehling. Around this pair Griffith hopes to organize a pitching corps that will round out his team to a

nice. Johnson's reputation is already established. This broad shouldered Swedish boy from the farms of Iowa has, with the aid of his terrific speed and wonderful control, pitched his way to the front rank of big league boxmen. He is the unanimous choice of the fans for the place that Christy Mathewson the Great must inevitably vacate. In spite of his game-winning ability, Griffith has no intention of overworking Johnson. The veteran manager recognizes the worth of the big Swede and it is his one aim to preserve this marvel of the speed

ball for the time when he will go out on the mound in a world's series game.

To Nick Altrock, the old star pitcher of the Chicago White Sox, in the days when that team won the world's championship, who is now coaching the twirlers for Griffith, belongs the credit for the splendid showing made by young Boehling this season. When the youngster joined the Senators' squad for spring training he showed a deal of promise, and immediately every player on the team began to hand him all sorts of conflicting advice. The lad was bewildered for a

while, but old Nick Altrock took him in tow, told him that he had been pitching professional ball for seventeen years and promised that if Joe would forget all of the well meant advice of the rest of the players, he, Altrock, would divulge some of the knowledge of the art of pitching he had acquired during his long career. Naturally, Boehling jumped at the offer.

Altrock has had Boehling under his wing ever since and is receiving all the credit from Joe for the latter's great string of successive victories.